

PA3

Probate Fees from April 2014

	Fee
Application	
In all cases where the net estate (ie the amount remaining in the deceased's sole name after funeral expenses and debts owing have been deducted) is over £5,000 (see example 1 below).	£215
Note: Joint assets passing automatically to the surviving joint owner should not be included when calculating the fee.	
If the net estate as above is under £5,000 (see example 2 below).	No fee
Application for a second grant in an estate where a previous grant has been issued.	£20
Additional Copies	
Official (sealed) copies of the Grant of Representation if ordered when you lodge your application for a Grant of Representation.	50p per copy
Note: You should decide how many copies you will need and add the cost to your application fee – this will give you the total amount payable. See examples below. It can save you a lot of time when collecting in the deceased's assets if you have a few extra copies of the grant to produce to the organisations holding the assets.	
'Sealed and certified copy' – if assets are held abroad you may need one of these.	50p per copy (including
Please check with the appropriate organisations before ordering.	Will and Grant)
Additional copies (consisting of grant including a copy of the Will, if applicable) ordered after the Grant of Representation has been issued.	£10 for first copy then 50p per additional copy
Example 1 Example 2	

Please send a cheque or postal order (no cash) made payable to '**HM Courts & Tribunals Service**', together with your application forms, to the Probate Registry to which you are applying. You should state the number and type of copies you need on the checklist on page 4 of the PA1 (application form). Please print the name of the **deceased person** on the back of the cheque.

Net estate of £2.000

1 copy of grant at 50p

Fee

Fee

Total Fee

Nil

50p

50p

Please ensure you order sufficient copies for your needs, when you send in your application.

£215

£ 2

£217

Fee

Fee

Total Fee

Please note: Appropriate post must be paid. (Standard rate postage may not be sufficient. If your forms weigh over 60g they may need to be weighed at your local Post Office.)

What if I cannot afford to pay a fee?

Net estate of £75,000

each

4 copies of grant at 50p

If you cannot afford the fee, you may be eligible for a fee remission in full or part. The combined booklet and application form EX160A - Court fees - do I have to pay them? gives all the information you need. You can get a copy from any Probate Registry or from our website www.hmcourts-service.gov.uk.

Your application will not be processed until the fee is paid (or an application for refund/remission has been successful).